

# Regular Meeting

<b>Agenda Item #</b>	3
<b>Meeting Date</b>	April 9, 2007
<b>Prepared By</b>	Daryl Braithwaite Public Works Director Robert Allen, Equipment Maintenance Supervisor
<b>Reviewed By</b>	Barbara B. Matthews City Manager

<b>Discussion Item</b>	Single Reading Ordinance Authorizing Purchase of Replacement Vehicle
<b>Background</b>	<p>The FY07 budget includes funding for the replacement of Car 101, a 1997 Ford Escort in the Administration motor pool. The car meets the City's age and mileage replacement requirements. At the September 18, 2006 Council worksession, staff discussed the replacement of this vehicle with an alternatively fueled vehicle. The Council approved that concept and directed staff to identify the most fuel-efficient vehicle available.</p> <p>Since this vehicle will be used in the Administration motor pool, staff recommends that it be replaced with a four-door, sedan type vehicle. City staff reviewed the alternatively fueled vehicles currently available on the market and recommends that the City purchase a Toyota Prius as a replacement for the Ford Escort. Staff has identified a cooperative bid in which the City can participate through Arlington County for the Toyota Prius at the price of \$21,054.</p> <p>Other four-door alternatively fueled vehicles currently available are the Ford Escape and the Honda Civic. Staff researched fuel efficiency and vehicle maintenance reports for these vehicles and found the Toyota Prius to have the highest fuel rating (60 city and 52 highway) and good maintenance reports. The City currently has one Toyota Prius in the fleet and has found the vehicle to be mechanically sound with minimal maintenance required.</p> <p>Staff also researched electric vehicles currently available and found that they are either not rated for significant road use or are extremely expensive (\$100,000 plus), with pre-order periods of more than a year.</p>
<b>Policy</b>	The City's vehicle replacement policy requires that administrative vehicles meet the age of 84 months (7 years) and 80,000 miles prior to being replaced. The City Council has expressed a preference for lower polluting, alternatively fueled vehicles for replacing City fleet vehicles.
<b>Fiscal Impact</b>	The FY07 budget includes \$15,000 for the replacement of this vehicle. Sufficient funds are available in the budget to cover the additional cost of \$6,054 for the Toyota Prius available through an Arlington County cooperative bid.
<b>Attachments</b>	Single Reading Ordinance
<b>Recommendation</b>	Approval of the Single Reading Ordinance awarding a contract to Ourisman Chantilly Toyota for the purchase of a Toyota Prius.

Introduced by:

Adopted:  
Single Reading

Ordinance No 2007 -  
PURCHASE OF REPLACEMENT VEHICLE FOR THE ADMINISTRATION MOTOR POOL

WHEREAS, funding in the amount of \$15,000 was included in the FY07 budget for the replacement of vehicle #101 from the Administration motor pool; AND

WHEREAS, the City Council has requested that alternatively fueled vehicles be purchased for vehicle replacement whenever possible; AND

WHEREAS, the Public Works Department has identified a competitively awarded contract from Arlington County for a Toyota Prius from Ourisman Chantilly Toyota in the amount of \$21,054; AND

WHEREAS, the Public Works Director has determined that the bid from Ourisman Chantilly Toyota is responsive and responsible.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND, THAT:

Section 1.      The cooperative bid received from Ourisman Chantilly Toyota in the amount of TWENTY-ONE THOUSAND FIFTY-FOUR DOLLARS (\$21,054) for a Toyota Prius be accepted; AND

Section 2.      This ordinance shall become effective upon adoption.

Adopted this \_\_\_\_ day of April, 2007 by roll-call vote as follows.

AYE:

NAY:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: